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SUBJECT: CARDINAL PIGNEDOLI VISIT TO SOUTH AFRICA

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1. CARDINAL SERGIO PIGNEDOLI, WHO HEADS THE VATICAN SECRETARIAT FOR NON-CHRISTIANS, COMPLETED A ONE WEEK VISIT TO SOUTH AFRICA ON JUNE 18. THOUGH THE OFFICIAL REASON FOR PIGNEDOLI'S VISIT WAS TO MEET HINDU AND MUSLIM LEADERS, A PRESS RELEASE FROM THE SOUTHERN AFRICA BISHOPS SECRETARIAT IN PRETORIA STATES THAT HE CAME ALSO "TO FAMILIARIZE HIMSELF AT FIRST HAND WITH THE VEXING PROBLEMS PERVADE THE SUBCONTINENT." "BEING VERY

CLOSE TO THE PRESENT POPE," THE RELEASE ADDED, HE WOULD GIVE
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POPE PAUL A "SPECIAL BRIEFING" ON HIS RETURN TO ROME.

2. COMMENT: VATICAN LIAISON OFFICE IN ROME MAY WISH TO DISCUSS WITH CARDINAL PIGNEDOLI FOLLOWING HIS RETURN, HIS ASSESSMENT OF CURRENT DIFFICULTIES OF YOUNG CHRISTIAN WORKERS (REFTEL) AS WELL AS GENERAL ATTITUDE OF SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT TOWARD CHURCH ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELDS OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL

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